

REQUEST FOR FILING A PATENT APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b)

Attorney Docket: 622/43633CP3

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Box PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

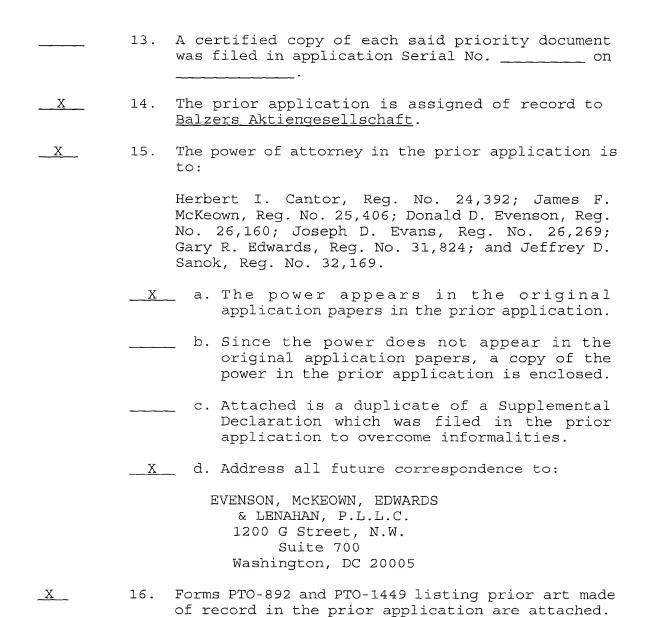


This is a request for filing a $\underline{\text{Rule }53(b)}$ continuation application under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b), of pending prior application:

		Serial No09/441,373 Filed on November 17, 1999 Of Rudolf Wagner, et al. Entitled: _PROCESS FOR HANDLING WORKPIECES AND APPARATUS Examiner: _L. TENTONI Group:1732 Batch No: R62
X	1.	Accompanying this order is a true copy of the prior application as originally filed. Total pages $_45$
	2.	New Formal drawings are being filed herewith consisting of sheet(s), depicting Figures
X	3.	Declaration and Power of Attorney: a Newly executed (original or copy) b X Copy from prior application i Deletion of Inventors - signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application
X	4.	Incorporation by Reference: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 3b, is considered as being

part of the disclosure of the accompanying

	application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
<u>X</u> 5.	Cancel original claims 1-26.
6.	Small entity status:
	a A small entity statement is enclosed
	b A statement of small entity status (copy attached) was filed on in the prior application and status as a small entity is still proper and desired.
	c Is no longer claimed
<u>X</u> 7.	The filing fee is calculated below:
<u>CANC</u>	LAIMS AS FILED, INCLUDING ANY CLAIMS ELLED OR ADDED BY PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT
Basic Fee	\$355 \$710
Total Claims_1	<u>8</u> - 20 = <u>0</u> x 9 = \$ 18 = \$
Ind. Claims _	$4 - 3 = 1 \times 40 = $ 80 = $ 80.00$
Multiple	e Dependent + 135 = \$ 270 = \$
Claims	Total \$ \$790.00
8.	Please charge my Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket #622/43633CP2) in the amount of \$
<u>X</u> 9.	A check in the amount of \$790.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.
<u>X</u> 10.	The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee which may be required under 37 CFR 1.16 or 37 CFR 1.17 or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket #).
<u>X</u> 11.	Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:This application is a continuation of application Serial No. 09/441,373, filed November 17, 1999
12.	Priority of Appln. No(s), filed in on, is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. 119.



A copy of each of the listed references should be

available in the prior application file.

17.	A Prelim	inary A	Amendment	is	being	filed	herewith.	
18.	Return R	eceipt	Postcard					
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